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1. EMBASSY IS AWARE THAT NATIONAL BEVERAGE CO. HAS BEEN GRANTED LICENSE BY GOK TO PRODUCE CANNED FRUIT JUICES AS WELL AS SEVERAL TYPES OF DAIRY PRODUCTS. COMPANY IS CAPITALIZED AT KD 50,000 (KD1 EQUALS \$3.38) AND IS OWNED BY FOUR KUWAITIS AND A SAUDI OF PALESTINIAN ORIGIN. LEADING MEMBER OF COMPANY IS AHMAD DUAIJ THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF PRESTIGIOUS KUWAIT PLANNING BOARD. PALESTINIAN OWNER MUSA HAMDAN WAS FORMERLY SUCCESSFUL MANAGING PARTNER OF KUWAIT'S CANADA DRY BOTTLING PLANT IS NO NEWCOMER TO BUSINESS. HAMDAN IS PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN WORKING WITH US COMPANY -- PREFERABLY DEL MONTE OR MONARCH.

2. COMPLEMENTING FORMATION OF NBC IS LICENSE GRANTED TO KUWAIT METAL CONTAINER CO. TO ESTABLISH CAN FACTORY IN KUWAIT IN COLLABORATION WITH A SUBSIDIARY OF CONTINENTAL CAN CO. HAMDAN IS ALSO PART OWNER IN THIS COMPANY ALONG WITH SEVERAL PROMINENT KUWAITIS INCLUDING PRESENT KUWAITI AMBASSADOR TO US, SHEIKH SALEM.

3. REQUEST YOU GIVE US COMPANY HIGHLY FAVORABLE RECOMMENDATION OF COMPANY IF IT IN FACT NBC WHICH CONTACTED THEM. THEY SHOULD IN TURN CONTACT MUSA HAMDAN, CABLE: PALMETO; ADDRESS: P.O.BOX 4324 (SAFAT), KUWAIT. (PLEASE NOTIFY US OF US COMPANY REQUESTED FOREGOING).

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